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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, US, CA

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF NEW CINCNORAD

REF: KRUSE-JOHNSON TELCON, JUNE 27

1. THE PRESIDENT WISHES TO APPOINT GENERAL DANIEL JAMES, JR., USAF, AS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF NORTH AMERICAN AIR DEFENSE COMMAND (CINCNORAD) EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 1975. GENERAL JAMES WOULD REPLACE GENERAL LUCIUS D. CLAY, JR. WHO IS SCHEDULED TO RETIRE ON SAME DATE. GENERAL JAMES CONCURRENTLY WILL SERVE AS COMMANDER OF THE US AEROSPACE DEFENSE COMMAND.

2. REQUEST EMBASSY ASCERTAIN WHETHER APPOINTMENT OF GENERAL JAMES ACCEPTABLE TO GOC AS REQUIRED BY TERMS OF NORAD AGREEMENT. PRESIDENT WISHES TO ANNOUNCE APPOINTMENT, WITH CONFIDENTIAL

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GOC CONCURRENCE, ON JULY 1.

3. FOR EMBASSY'S INFORMATION, FOLLOWING IS BRIEF BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON GENERAL JAMES. BORN IN 1920 IN PENSACOLA, FLORIDA, GENERAL JAMES RECEIVED A B.S. DEGREE FROM TUSKAGEE INSTITUTE IN 1942. HE WAS COMMISSIONED A SECOND LIEUTENANT IN THE ARMY AIR CORPS IN JULY 1943. GENERAL JAMES FLEW 101 COMBAT MISSIONS AS A FIGHTER PILOT IN THE

KOREAN WAR. AFTER SEVERAL FIGHTER COMMAND ASSIGNMENTS, HE GRADUATED FROM THE AIR COMMAND AND STAFF COLLEGE AT MAXWELL AFB ALABAMA IN 1957. IN JULY 1960, HE WAS ASSIGNED TO BENTWATERS, UK AND SUBSEQUENTLY SERVED IN THAILAND AND LIBYA. HE BECAME DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS IN 1970. IN SEPTEMBER 1974 HE ASSUMED HIS MOST RECENT ASSIGNMENT AS VICE COMMANDER OF THE MILITARY AIRLIFT COMMAND AT SCOTT AIR BASE, ILLINOIS. GENERAL JAMES IS MARRIED AND HAS A DAUGHTER AND TWO SONS. INGERSOLL

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